

Amendment to the Claims:

1. (Cancelled)

2. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 6, further including:

on the display device, generating a display offering an option to change a configuration of the selected medical care equipment;

5 adjusting the retrieved three-dimensional electronic representation of the medical care equipment in accordance with the changed configuration; and

generating the series of two-dimensional views of the medical care equipment in the changed configuration from the adjusted three-dimensional electronic representation.

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3. (Currently Amended) A method of enabling a person to obtain information about medical care equipment, the method comprising:

on a display device of a user interface generating display:

5 offering the person an option to indicate a name of a medical care location,

offering the person an option to indicate a [[model]] type of medical care equipment,

offering the person an option to select a viewpoint,

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offering an option to generate a sequence-series of two-dimensional views depicting the medical care equipment performing a selected medical care activity;

from a database which stores models of the medical care equipment at a plurality of medical care locations and three-dimensional representations of a plurality of models of medical care equipment, retrieving a three-dimensional representation of a model of the indicated type of the indicated medical care equipment at the indicated medical care location; and

15 from the three-dimensional representation retrieved from the database, generating and displaying on the display device, the series of two-dimensional views depicting the selected-models-model of medical care equipment at the selected

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medical care location performing the selected medical care activity from the selected viewpoint.

4. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 6, wherein the database includes an electronic representation of audio information relating to the selected medical care equipment and further including:

- retrieving the audio information; and
- 5 converting the audio information into audible sound and playing the sound audibly to the viewer with the series of two-dimensional views.

5. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 6, wherein the medical care equipment includes a diagnostic imaging device.

6. (Currently Amended) A method enabling a person to obtain information on medical care equipment, the method comprising:

- on a display device of a user interface, generating a display offering
- 5 the person an option to select medical care equipment via the user interface,
- on the display device, generating a display offering the person an option to select via the user interface among at least ~~[[two]]~~ one of:

~~experiencing—viewing a series of two-~~
dimensional images depicting a medical care activity by the
10 selected medical care equipment from a viewpoint of a patient
~~experiencing—undergoing the medical care activity,~~

~~experiencing a medical care activity by the~~
~~selected medical care equipment from a viewpoint of an~~
~~operator of the medical care equipment,~~

15 ~~experiencing a medical care activity by the~~
~~selected medical care equipment from a viewpoint of a~~
~~spectator, and~~

~~experiencing—viewing a series of two-~~
dimensional images depicting a medical care activity by the
20 selected medical care equipment from a viewpoint ~~[[of an]]~~
inside of the selected medical care equipment to see what

happens inside the medical care equipment during the medical care activity;

in response to receiving an indication of the selected medical care equipment,

25 retrieving from a database comprising three-dimensional electronic representations of medical care equipment, a three-dimensional electronic representation of the selected medical care equipment; and

 generating the series of two-dimensional views

30 depicting the selected medical care equipment ~~during performing~~ the medical care activity from the selected viewpoint of the selected three-dimensional representation and displaying the series of two-dimensional views on the display device such that a viewer watching the display device

35 ~~experiences-views~~ the selected medical care ~~experience-activity~~ from the selected viewpoint.

7. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 4, wherein the audio information includes operating sounds of the selected medical care equipment ~~during performing~~ the medical care activity.

8. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 6, wherein the generated series of two-dimensional views further depict a patient undergoing the selected medical care activity and further including:

 on the display device, generating a ~~dialog display~~ offering the person

5 an option to include information on facial characteristics of himself or herself on the depicted patient.

9. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 6, further including:

 on the display device, generating a display offering the person an option to include a name of a medical care location, the database being indexed by

5 medical care location, which medical care location name is used in retrieving the three-dimensional electronic representation of the selected medical care equipment

such that the person can view the medical care equipment which is at the selected medical care location.

10. (Cancelled)

11. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 8, wherein the series of two-dimensional ~~[[view]]~~ views further includes a hyperlink to further information on the selected medical care equipment.

12. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 3, further including:

generating a voice audible to the person describing elements of the medical care activity including sounds which can be heard by a patient during the
5 medical care activity.

13. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 3, further including:

~~generating-retrieving a computer record of~~ audible sounds which are heard by a patient during the selected medical care activity; and
5 playing the audible sounds with the series of two-dimensional views
such that the person can view and hear the medical care activity.

14. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 13, wherein the selected viewpoint is inside the medical care equipment such that the person ~~visually and audibly experiences~~ sees and hears what happens inside the medical care equipment during the medical care activity.

15. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 13, further including:

on the display device, generating a display offering the person the option to select facial characteristics of himself or herself; and
5 wherein the ~~sequence-series~~ of two-dimensional views includes a depiction of a patient with the selected facial characteristics undergoing the medical care activity.

16. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 3, wherein:

at least one of the generated two-dimensional views on the display device includes operator control buttons which are able to be activated by the person
5 to control the operation of the medical care equipment; and
the series of two-dimensional views depicts operation of the medical care equipment in response to activation of the operator control buttons.

17. (Currently Amended) The method according to ~~claim 16~~ claim 13, wherein the medical care equipment includes an MRI device and the medical care activity includes an MRI examination and further including:

generating the sounds that an MRI device makes while performing the
5 MRI examination.

18. (Currently Amended) ~~[[A]]~~ The method as claimed in claim 6 further including:

allowing the person to become familiar with the medical care equipment at a speed selected by the person who has the prospect of undergoing a
5 medical care activity with medical care equipment.

19. (Previously Presented) The system as claimed in claim 20, wherein the medical care equipment includes an MRI device;
wherein the transmitted information includes information regarding sounds made by the MRI device during an MRI exam; and

5 wherein the user interface is configured to generate the sounds made by the MRI device during an MRI exam.

20. (Currently Amended) A system for enabling a person to obtain information medical care equipment, the system comprising:

a database which stores three-dimensional representations of a plurality of models of medical care equipment;

5 a user interface on which the person selects one of the models of medical care equipment and at least two of:

10 ~~experiencing—viewing~~ a series of two-
 dimensional images depicting a medical care activity using the
selected model of medical care equipment from a viewpoint of
a patient ~~experiencing—undergoing~~ the medical care activity,

~~experiencing—viewing~~ a series of two-
 dimensional images depicting a medical care activity by the
selected model of medical care equipment from a viewpoint of
an operator of the medical care equipment,

15 ~~experiencing—viewing~~ a series of two-
 dimensional images depicting a medical care activity by the
selected medical care equipment from a viewpoint of a
spectator, and

~~experiencing—viewing~~ a series of two-
20 dimensional images depicting a medical care activity by the
selected model of medical care equipment from a viewpoint
inside of the selected medical care equipment which shows
what happens inside the medical care equipment during the
medical care activity;

25 a computer programmed to:

 receive a selected model and selected viewpoint
from the user interface,

 retrieve the three-dimensional representation of
the selected model of medical care equipment from the
30 database,

 generate the series of two-dimensional views
depicting the selected model of medical care equipment ~~during~~
performing the medical care activity from the selected
viewpoint, and

35 controlling a display device of the user interface
to generate a human readable display of the series of two-
dimensional views such that a viewer watching the display
device ~~experiences—sees~~ the medical care activity being
performed by the selected model of medical care equipment
40 from the selected viewpoint.

21. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 6,
wherein the person is offered the option to select among all four of ~~experiencing~~
viewing a series of two-dimensional images by depicting the medical care activity
from the viewpoint of the patient, from the viewpoint of the operator, from the
5 viewpoint of the spectator, and from the inside of the medical care equipment.